

# 2009-2010 Wildlife Management Area **Hunting Schedule and Information**





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# Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries

# Alabama Wildlife Management Areas

Alabama's Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) are great places to enjoy wildlife from the mountain forests in north Alabama to the Mobile Delta in the south. There are 36 WMAs across the state containing over 760,535 acres. WMAs are operated by the Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (ADWFF) and provide valuable public access for hunting and a multitude of other recreational activities. Hunting, fishing, camping and other permitted uses vary from area to area. Be sure to check regulations before planning your Alabama WMA outing.

This publication provides current season information and helps answer some of the more frequently asked questions regarding hunting on WMAs. Many hunters find the deer and turkey harvest information (included in this guide) helpful when deciding where to hunt. Additional information provides details on license requirements, WMA size and location, other rules and regulations, new publications by the Wildlife Section, and other topics that may be of interest to many hunters. We hope you find this WMA Schedule and Information helpful and useful.

# Licenses, Permits, and/or Stamps Required to Hunt on a Wildlife Management Area or to Use the Shooting Ranges

To hunt on an Alabama Wildlife Management Area (WMA), a hunter is required to be properly licensed and permitted. Hunters must possess a:

- valid Alabama hunting license (unless under the age of 16 years old and accompanied by an adult or are Alabama residents over the age of 64 years old) (a Wildlife Heritage license is valid in lieu of a resident State Hunting license and a WMA license for small game hunting, except waterfowl);
- 2) WMA license (unless under the age of 16 years old and accompanied by an adult or are Alabama residents over the age of 64 years old) for hunting deer, turkey, and waterfowl; and
- 3) WMA Permit. A valid WMA Permit (free permit) must be in possession prior to possessing a firearm or bow on any WMA.

Waterfowl hunters must have in possession a valid State (ages 16 to 64) and Federal (ages 16 and over) Waterfowl Stamp in addition to the above mentioned licenses and permit to hunt on a WMA.

All migratory bird hunters must have a Harvest Information Program (HIP) permit (a free permit). Federal law requires license buyers who hunt any migratory species (such as mourning doves, woodcock, rails, snipe, coots, ducks, or geese) in any state to obtain a Harvest Information Program permit.

Licenses are valid from September 1 through August 31 each year. Successfully completing an approved hunter education course is mandatory for all hunting license buyers born on or after August 1, 1977 (see page 3, Changes in Hunter Education, for exceptions). For license costs, refer to the table on page 16.

Shooting range users, ages 16-64 for residents and 16 or older for non-residents, are required to have a valid Alabama hunting license, a Wildlife Heritage license (residents only), or a WMA license.

# Locations for Obtaining Licenses, Permits, and Stamps

Alabama hunting licenses, Wildlife Heritage licenses (residents only), and WMA licenses are available throughout the State from approximately 500 special license agents in many sporting goods stores, marinas, and at all county courthouses, or by calling the toll free number (1-888-848-6887) and purchasing your hunting license with a credit card. Licenses also may be purchased with a credit card via the internet at www.outdooralabama.com.

The WMA permits/maps are available free of charge from District Offices, WMA Headquarters, www.outdooralabama.com (both pages required), or other locations listed in the Permit Information section (pages 10-12).

There are several ways to obtain a State Waterfowl Stamp or privilege to hunt. One or the other may be obtained at county courthouses, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) Headquarters, all ADWFF District offices (see page 16 for location information), by calling the toll free number (1-888-848-6887) or via the internet at <a href="https://www.outdooralabama.com">www.outdooralabama.com</a>. In most instances, you are purchasing the privilege; you will not receive an actual stamp at the time of purchase.

Federal Waterfowl Stamps are available at U.S. Post Offices, ADCNR Headquarters, and ADWFF District I and II offices.

HIP permits are free and are available at license vendors, by calling the toll free number (1-888-848-6887), or by visiting the internet at *www.outdooralabama*. com. A resident without an Alabama driver's license must present proof of

residency to a probate judge or license commissioner to purchase a license.

### **ADWFF - WMA Partners**

A significant portion of the lands in the WMA program are made available through the generosity and cooperation of private and corporate landowners. These entities have partnered with ADWFF to provide you, the licensed hunter, access to hundreds of thousands of acres. The WMA system probably would not exist without their support. Use of these properties is a privilege and should be treated as such.

Other government agencies also provide a significant portion of the lands in the WMAs. Those include the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), the U.S. Corps of Engineers (COE), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Alabama Forestry Commission (AFC), and the Forever Wild Land Trust. Be sure to let all the partners know how much you appreciate their participation in the WMA program.

The Alabama Chapters of the National Wild Turkey Federation, Ducks Unlimited, and other non-profit conservation organizations have partnered with the ADWFF to help fund habitat enhancement projects on public lands, assist with land purchases, purchase and donate land, provide seed for wildlife openings, and assist with projects on WMAs. Such conservation oriented activities have been very beneficial for wildlife and for users of the WMAs.

### WMA Gains and Losses

During the past year, two additions to the system occurred, including 320 acres to the Lauderdale WMA (Lauderdale County) as a result of a purchase by ADWFF and 1,897 acres to the Mobile-Tensaw Delta WMA (Baldwin and Mobile Counties) with the Forever Wild Land acquisition fund. Elsewhere, a lease agreement was not renewed and resulted in the loss of the Kinterbish CHA, about 2,900 acres. We greatly appreciate the working relationship we have had with the landowner to provide public hunting. Efforts will continue to develop additional leases.

### Shooting Ranges

Shooting ranges are available for the public to safely discharge firearms on nine WMAs, as well as Etowah Public Shooting Range near Gadsden, and the Marengo Public Shooting Range (see map page 6). Most ranges offer 25 to 100 yard shooting opportunities. Wire is available for hanging targets. Shooters are responsible for supplying and removing paper targets and their trash.

The ranges are open to recreational shooters, competitive shooters, hunters, and other shooting enthusiasts (shooters, ages 16-64 for residents and 16 or older for non-residents, must possess an Alabama hunting license, a Wildlife Heritage license (residents only), or a WMA license). Shooters must follow all firearm safety and handling rules and posted range rules while using public ranges. For further information, call the Hunter Education Office at 334-242-3620.

### Community Archery Parks

Community Archery Parks are open to the public in the cities of Athens, Cullman, Demopolis, and Dothan as a result of a unique partenship between the respective Parks and Recreation Programs, ADWFF, and the Archery Trade Association. Each of these facilities is slightly different from each other, but they all have bale type targets from 5-50 yards. Each also features an elevated platform approximately 12 feet above the ground with targets from 10-40 yards. Wearing of a full body harness is required while standing or shooting from the elevated platform. Broadheads are prohibited in the archery parks.

### ADWFF is Funded by Hunters and Anglers

ADWFF is funded by hunting and fishing license revenue and Federal Aid in Wildlife and Sportfish Restoration Act monies. Wildlife conservation is funded by the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, popularly know as the Pittman-Robertson (P-R) Act. This Act was approved by Congress on September 2, 1937.

The P-R Act provides funding for the restoration, rehabilitation and improvement of wildlife habitat, management, research, and the distribution of information produced by the projects. The P-R Act was amended October 23, 1970 to include funding for hunter education training programs and the development, operation, and maintenance of public shooting ranges.

Funds are derived from an 11 percent Federal excise tax on sporting arms, ammunition and archery equipment, and a 10 percent tax on handguns. These funds are collected from the manufacturers by the U.S. Department of the Treasury and apportioned each year to the States and Territorial areas by the USFWS. The number of hunting licenses sold helps determine the amount of money states can receive. State wildlife agencies are the only entities eligible to receive grant funds. Funds for hunter education and shooting ranges are derived from one-half of the tax on handguns and archery equipment.

### **Hunter Education**

A change enacted in 2007 provides for a mentor status for hunter education that allows a person who has not passed a hunter education course to purchase a license and hunt under normal voice control, not to exceed 30 feet, of a properly licensed hunter 21 years of age or older. Under no circumstances shall the supervising person be the holder of a supervision required license. Showing a hunter education card will serve as proof of certification for non-supervising status.

The Alabama Legislature amended the hunting and fishing license requirements for active military personnel beginning on August 1, 2004. Beginning on that date, U.S. military personnel stationed in Alabama on active duty are deemed residents for the purpose of purchasing a hunting license, freshwater fishing license, or saltwater fishing license.

Changes to the hunter education requirement also went into effect on August 1, 2004. Previously, all persons born after August 1, 1977, were required to obtain hunter education certification before they were eligible to purchase a hunting license. The new law exempts the following from that requirement: active duty U.S. military personnel, Alabama residents who are active members of the National Guard, and Alabama certified law enforcement personnel who are employed by a law enforcement agency in Alabama. Proof of this status must be shown to be exempt from the hunter education requirement.

In addition, residents of Alabama who are on leave from active military duty may hunt or fish without purchasing a State license; however, a WMA license is required to hunt on a WMA. For example, an Alabama resident who is a member of the Armed Forces and stationed in another state returns to Alabama for leave. That individual does not have to purchase a State license to hunt or fish while on leave in Alabama (must have copy with them).

More information about hunting and fishing regulations in Alabama can be found on the ADCNR web site, www.outdooralabama.com.

# ANTLERED BUCK AND TURKEY HARVEST RECORD

A mandatory hunter harvest record is in effect this season. It is illegal for a hunter to field dress or move an antlered buck or turkey before dating a hunter harvest record (see example). This record will be provided on annual licenses. For license exempt or lifetime license hunters, a sample form is provided.

ALL ANTLERED BUCKS HARVESTED ON WMAS MUST BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE ANNUAL STATEWIDE THREE BUCK LIMIT

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# RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM THE WILDLIFE SECTION:

Biology and Management of White-tailed Deer in Alabama by: Chris Cook and Bill Gray, Wildlife Biologists Ecology and Management of the Bobwhite Quail in Alabama by: Stan Stewart, Wildlife Biologist Effective Food Plots for White-tailed Deer in Alabama

by: Chris Cook and Bill Gray, Wildlife Biologists

NEW PUBLICATION: THE WILD TURKEY IN ALABAMA BY: STEVEN W. BARNETT AND VICTORIA S. BARNETT, WILDLIFE BIOLOGISTS

These publications are available FREE at

www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/game/

Wildlife conservation in Alabama is funded by hunters and anglers and uses none of the State of Alabama's General Fund monies.

Purchasing a hunting license, whether you hunt or not, supports wildlife conservation in Alabama.

2009-2010 Schedule of V	Vild	life	Man	nagement	Area Tur	key & Sma	ill Game	Seasons								
					No small gam		mitted on day	s of gun, youth, and p		deer hunts, except on M	lobile-Tensaw I	Delta and W.L.				
	T-[	urkey	Daylig	ht until 1:00 PM	Holland WMA	's and the Daub	i's Swamp, S <sub>l</sub>	pidle Lake, and Dead I	Lake Units at Der	nopolis WMA.						<u> </u>
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS	March 13	March 13-14	March 27	REGULAR Note 4	SQUIRREL	QUAIL	RABBIT	RACCOON & OPPOSSUM	FOX (Note 13)	DOVE	WOODCOCK	SNIPE	SPECIAL TEAL SEASON	EARLY CANADA GOOSE SEASON	WATERFOWL (Including Youth Hunt)	TRAPPING
Autauga										State Season Wed & Sat PM						
Barbour	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28†	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	Se 1-Fe 28	Se 1-Fe 28 DO; XW	State Season Wed,Sat & Sun PM	De 18-Ja 31	De 18-Ja 31			State Season	Ja 15-Fe 20
Black Warrior - Zone A (Note 7)			Y	Ap 1-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	No 14-Fe28	N,Se 1-30; N,Fe 1-28	N Se 1-30-Fe 1-28 DO;XW		De 18-Ja 31					No 14-Ja 31
Black Warrior - Zone B (Note 7)			Y	Ap 1-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	No 14-Fe28	N, Se 1-30; N,Fe 1-28	N Se 1-30-Fe 1-28 DO;XW		De 18-Ja 31					No 14-Ja 31
Blue Spring	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28†	De 1-Fe 15	De 1-Fe 15	N, Se 1-Fe 28	N, Oc 15-Fe 28 DO;XW Se 1-Oc 14 d	1st Segment Sat. PM 2nd & 3rd Segments Thurs. PM	De 18-Ja 31	De 18-Ja 31			Note 1 State Season	Ja 15-Fe 20
Cahaba River & CRR (Note 5)	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 1-Fe 28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM	De 18-Ja 31				State Season	Ja 1-Fe 20
Choccolocco & MLR (Note 12)		Y		Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 17-Fe 14	No 2-Fe28	N, Oc 1-Fe 28 (exc. MLR)	N;DO;XW Oc 1-Fe 28 (exc. MLR)	1st Segment PM (exc; MLR)	Ja 1-Ja 31					Ja 1-Ja 31 (exc. MLR)
Coosa (NOTE 11)				Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	Oc 1-Ja 31d N, Ja 1-Fe 28	N, Ja 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season Wed & Sat PM	Ja 1-Ja 31	Ja 1-Ja 31			State Season	No 15-Fe 20
Crow Creek, Mud Creek & Raccoon Creek					Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N, Oc 1-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe 28 N;DO;XW	State Season PM	State Season	State Season	Se 5-20	Se 1-15	State Season	No 15-Fe 20
North Sauty & Crow Creek Refuges					Oc 1-31 Fe 15- 28	Fe 15-28	Oc 1-31 Fe 15-28	Oc 1-31		1st & 2nd Segment PM						No 15-Ja 31 Fe 1-20 (Water Sets only)
Demopolis	Υ			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-14 No 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-14 No 1-Fe 28	N, Se 1-Fe 28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM					Note 2;AM State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Frank W. & Rob Boykin	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	Se 1 Fe 28N	Se 1 Fe 28 N DO;XW	State Season Wash. Co. Only Wed & Sat PM Only	De 18-Ja 31	State Season			State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Freedom Hills				Ap 1-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 15-Fe 28	No 15-Fe28	Se 1-30N Fe 1-28N	N Se 1-30, Fe 1-28 DO;XW	State Season Wed & Sat PM	De 18-Ja 31					No 15-Ja 31
Geneva State Forest	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	No 1-Fe 28†	No 14-Fe 28	No 1-Fe 28			1st Segment PM Sat PM Only	De 18-Ja 31	No 14-Fe 28			State Season	No 14-Fe 20
Hollins	Y			**** Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	Oc 1-Jan 31d N, Oc 1 - Fe 28	N, Oc. 1-Fe 28 DO; XW	State Season Wed & Sat PM						No 15-Fe 20
James D. Martin - Skyline	Υ			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Ja 7	Ja 4-Fe28	Oc 1-Fe 28	OC 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season Wed & Sat PM	De 18-Ja 31	No 14-Ja 31			State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Lauderdale			Υ	Ap 1-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	No 14-Fe28	N, Se 1-30 N, Fe 1-28	Se 1-30, Fe 1-28 N; DO;XW		De 18-Ja 31					No 14-Fe 20
Little River		Υ		Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N Oc 1-Fe 28	N, Oc 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM					State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Lowndes (Note 6)	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 6-Fe 28	N, Se 6-Fe 28 XW;DO	State Season Wed & Sat PM	De 18-Ja 31	De 18-Ja 31			State Season Wed & Sat	No 15-Fe 20
Mobile-Tensaw Delta & W.L. Holland (Note 8)	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28		Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season	De 18-Ja 31	No 14-Fe 28	Se 5-20		State Season Note 3	No 16-Fe 20
Jacinto Port Tract	Υ			Ma 15-Ap 30	Fe 1-28											
Mulberry Fork	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1 -Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM					State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Oakmulgee (Note 11)	Υ			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM	De 18-Ja 31				State Season	Ja 1-Fe 20
Perdido River	Y			Ма 15-Ар 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe 28	Se 1-Fe 28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season Thu & Sat PM	De 18-Ja 31	No 16-Fe 28				Ja 1-Fe 20
Riverton				Ap 1-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	No 14-Fe28	N, Se 1-30 N, Fe 1-28	N Se 1-30, Fe 1-28 DO;XW		De 18-Ja 31					No 14-Ja 31
Sam R. Murphy	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 16-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1 -Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM	De 18 -Ja 31				State Season	Ja 1-Fe 20
Scotch	Y			**** Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 15-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 9-Fe28	N Oc 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season Thu & Sat PM						Ja 10-Fe 20
Seven-Mile Island (Note 9)					Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM	De 18-Ja 31	No 14-Fe 28	Se 5-20	Se 1-15	State Season	No 14-Fe 20
St. Clair		Υ		Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N, Oc 1-No 21	N Oc 1-No 21 DO;XW							Ja 1-Fe 20
Swan Creek & Mallard Fox Creek (Note 10)					Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe 28	Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM	De 18-Ja 31	No 14-Fe 28	Se 5-20	Se 5-15	State Season	No 14-Fe 20
Upper Delta - Zone A	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28		Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season Sat	De 18-Ja 31	No 16-Fe 28			State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Upper Delta - Zone B	Y			Ma 15-Ap 30	Oc 1-Fe 28		Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW		De 18-Ja 31	No 16-Fe 28	Se 5-20		State Season	No 16-Fe 20
Wolf Creek				Ма 15-Ар 30	Oc 1-Fe 28	No 14-Fe 28	Oc 1-Fe28	N, Se 1-Fe28	N Se 1-Fe 28 DO;XW	State Season PM	De 18-Ja 31					Ja 1-Fe 20

### ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTES FOUND ON ALL WMA HUNTING SCHEDULES IN THIS PUBLICATION

Se	_	September
Oc	_	October
No	_	November
De	_	December
Ja	_	January
Fe	_	February
Ma	_	March

Ap — April

N — Night Only

d — Day Only

XD — No Dogs

AM — One half-hour before sunrise until noon

PM — Noon until sunset

DO — Dogs Only

XW — No Weapons

 Youth must be less than 16 years old - Supervisor must be 25 years old or older or the parent of the youth and properly licensed to hunt on a WMA (for deer, two deer per day; only one may be an antlered buck)

Y2 — Youth Deer Hunts on November 15 and 16. Same age qualifications, licensing requirements, and bag limits as above in Y. No check-in required; must possess valid map/permit for the WMA.

MLR — Mountain Longleaf National Wildlife Refuge

CRR — Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge

D — Dogs - Antlered Bucks Only

PW — Primitive Weapons - Hunter's Choice except spotted fawns - two deer per day, no more than one antlered buck

 HC — Hunter's Choice on all days - no spotted fawns - two deer per day, no more than one antlered buck; if a limited harvest is needed for biological reasons, a predetermined percentage of either sex permits on any hunt may be issued.

S — Stalk-antlered bucks only

QD — Quality Deer Management Buck

BO — Bucks Only

Note 1 — No hunting on Open, Buck, Ditch or Blue Ponds

Note 2 — Daub's Swamp, Spidle Lake, and Dead Lake Units open for State Season (AM only); remainder of the WMA closed on days of gun deer hunts

Note 3 — AM Hunting only Monday through Thursday and 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset for Friday through Sunday during Nov. through Jan.

Note 4 — The day prior to the opening of regular spring turkey season will be open to physically disabled hunters [See 220-2-.01(1)(b)]

Note 5 — Archery only on CRR segment and no open season on CRR segment for dove, woodcock, snipe and waterfowl. No trapping

Note 6 — Feral Swine (Special Season) Aug. 15 - Sept. 4 and Mar. 1-10 (South Road Area Only). Permitted Firearms, Bow and Arrow, and Hunter Orange requirements same as that for gun deer hunting on WMAs. (No dogs allowed)

Note 7 — Feral Swine (Special Season) March 1-12. Permitted fire arms, those legal for use on a WMA stalk deer hunt; hunter orange required. (No Buckshot; No dogs allowed)

Note 8 — Feral swine season open during any wildlife management area season using any weapon or ammunition which is legal any time of the year. No dogs - (Daylight Hours Only)

Note 9 — Feral Swine (Special Season) March 1-31. Permitted arms are bow and arrow, crossbow, and muzzle loading firearms; hunter orange required.

Note 10 — All Small Game Hunting (except waterfowl) will be closed WEST of Swan Creek Jan. 4-8 and EAST of Swan Creek Jan. 11-15 to allow furbearer trapping.

Note 11 — Feral Swine (Special Season) - Mar. 1-10.

Permitted Firearms, Bow and Arrow, and Hunter

Orange requirements same as for stalk gun deer hunting on

WMAs (Daylight Hours Only; No Dogs Allowed)

Note 12 — Feral Swine (Special Season) March 2-10 and Sept. 1-15.

Permitted firearms, those legal for use on a WMA stalk deer hunt; hunter orange required. (No Buckshot; No dogs

Note 13 — Fox - May be killed during any scheduled Area hunt within the time period of deer and turkey seasons in that county, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts during daylight hours only. Only one (1) fox per day may be harvested

Note 14 — Deer Hunts by Zones: Dec. 10-Zone A, Dec. 11-Zone B, Dec.12-Zone C; Dec. 17-Zone A, Dec. 18-Zone B, Dec. 19-Zone C.

† — Fox squirrel season closed for February.

 A predetermined percentage of the permits issued on each day will be either sex (two deer per day, no more than one may be an antlered buck)

\*\*\* — No hunting on days of Youth Deer Hunts - Nov. 15 or Nov. 15 & 16

 Mov. 21 - Jan. 1 - Turkey - gobblers only (except on dates of Gun & PW Deer Hunts) - Archery Hunting Only (No Crossbows)

- No small game hunting is permitted on days of gun, youth, and primitive weapons deer hunts, except on the Mobile-Tensaw Delta and W.L. Holland WMAs and the Daub's Swamp, Spidle Lake, and Dead Lake Units at Demopolis WMA.
- Coyote and feral swine may be killed during all scheduled WMA hunts (during daylight hours only), when possessing a valid WMA permit and using the weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts; no dogs.
- Fox (one per day) and bobcat may be harvested on all WMA scheduled hunts during daylight hours only within the time period of deer and turkey seasons in that county.

A State hunting license\*, WMA permit, and WMA license\* are required when hunting on WMAs, community hunting areas, or refuges. Also, HIP permit is required for hunting any migratory birds. In addition, both State and Federal stamps are required for hunting waterfowl. Either a State hunting license, a WMA license, or a Wildlife Heritage license is required when using a shooting range.

\*A Wildlife Heritage license is valid in lieu of resident State hunting and WMA licenses for small game hunting, excluding waterfowl.



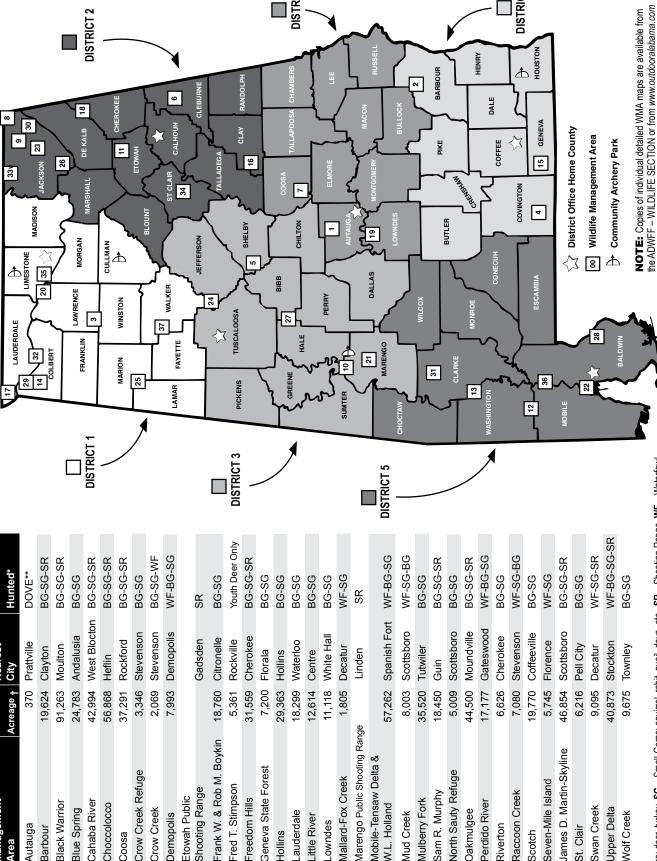
Hunting is the pursuit of game animals in a lawful, ethical manner. Hunters do the right thing even when no one else is looking.

Be a hunter and enjoy hunting.



# STATE OF ALABAMA PUBLIC HUNTING AREAS AND SHOOTING RANGES

	Management		Nearest	2		112
1	Autauga	370	Prattville	DOVE**		SS [S
	Barbour	19,624	Clayton	BG-SG-SR		4 4 32
	Black Warrior	91,263	Moulton	BG-SG-SR	[	
	Blue Spring	24,783	Andalusia	BG-SG		A B A B A B A B A B A B A B A B A B A B
	Cahaba River	42,994	West Blocton	BG-SG-SR	DISTRICT 1	
	Choccolocco	56,868	Heflin	BG-SG-SR	_	
	Coosa	37,291	Rockford	BG-SG-SR	/	MARION
	Crow Creek Refuge	3,346	Stevenson	BG-SG	/	25
	Crow Creek	2,069	Stevenson	BG-SG-WF		
	Demopolis	7,993	Demopolis	WF-BG-SG		LAMAB
	Etowah Public					HAYELL
	Shooting Range		Gadsden	SR		
	Frank W. & Rob M. Boykin	18,760	Citronelle	BG-SG		
	Fred T. Stimpson	5,361	Rockville	Youth Deer Only	DISTRICT 3	PICKENS
	Freedom Hills	31,559	Cherokee	BG-SG-SR	_	
	Geneva State Forest	7,200	Florala	BG-SG	_	7
16	Hollins	29,363	Hollins	BG-SG	/	<u></u>
	Lauderdale	18,299	Waterloo	BG-SG	<b>1</b>	GREENE
18	Little River	12,614	Centre	BG-SG		M
19	Lowndes	11,118	White Hall	BG-SG		5
	Mallard-Fox Creek	1,805	Decatur	WF-SG		SUMTER 10
	Marengo Public Shooting Range	<u>a</u>	Linden	SR		\ \
	Mobile-Tensaw Delta & W.L. Holland	57,262	Spanish Fort	WF-BG-SG	DISTRICT 5	MARENG
	Mud Creek	8,003	Scottsboro	WF-SG-BG		сностам
24	Mulberry Fork	35,520	Tutwiler	BG-SG		רע <u> </u>
25	Sam R. Murphy	18,450	Guin	BG-SG-SR	_	ह 
56	North Sauty Refuge	5,009	Scottsboro	BG-SG	_	CLARKE
27	Oakmulgee	44,500	Moundville	BG-SG-SR	/	5
28	Perdido River	17,177	Gateswood	WF-BG-SG	1	WASHINGTON
59	Riverton	6,626	Cherokee	BG-SG	1	me
30	Raccoon Creek	7,080	Stevenson	WF-SG-BG		<b>~</b> √
31	Scotch	19,770	Coffeeville	BG-SG		<b>3</b> 4
32	Seven-Mile Island	5,745	Florence	WF-SG		98
33	James D. Martin-Skyline	46,854	Scottsboro	BG-SG-SR		MOBILE \
34	St. Clair	6,216	Pell City	BG-SG		<u>√</u> [8
	Swan Creek	9,095	Decatur	WF-SG-SR		E
	Upper Delta	40,873	Stockton	WF-BG-SG-SR		<u>~</u>
	Wolf Creek	9,675	Townley	BG-SG		<b>-</b>



**DISTRICT 4** 

**DISTRICT 6** 

\*BG – Big Game: deer, turkey SG – Small Game: squirrel, rabit, quail, dove, etc. SR – Shooting Range WF – Waterfowl \*\* – Open for falconry also.

<sup>† -</sup> Current as of May 2009.

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Barbour	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (QD)	Y							QD PW									QD HC		
Black Warrior - Zone A (Note 7)	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)							PW									HC			
Black Warrior - Zone B (Note 7)	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC) (QD)											QD HC								
Blue Spring	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Υ									PW	HC					HC			
Cahaba River & CRR (Note 5)	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Y									PW	НС					НС			
Choccolocco & MLR (Note 12)	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)		Y2						PW						S					
Coosa (Note 11)	***Oc 15 - Ja 31		Y2				PW										S			
Crow Creek, Mud Creek & Raccoon Creek	Oc 31 - No 8 (HC)																			
North Sauty & Crow Creek Refuges	Oc 31 - No 8 (HC)																			
Demopolis	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)	Υ										нс					PW			
Frank W. & Rob Boykin	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Υ										нс					D			
Frank T. Stimpson		Y																		
Freedom Hills	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (QD) (HC)	Y														QD HC				
Geneva State Forest	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (QD)	Y						QD PW				QD HC					QD HC			
Hollins	Oc 15 - Ja 31									PW		S								
James D. Martin - Skyline	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)	Y										** S						S		
Lauderdale	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (QD) (HC)											QD HC								
Little River	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)											HC								
Lowndes (Note 6)	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (QD)		Y2														QD HC			
Mobile-Tensaw Delta & W.L. Holland (Note 8)	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)					S														
Except Jacinto Port Tract	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)							<b>-</b>		-										
Mulberry Fork	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Υ								PW		** S					** S			
Oakmulgee (Note 11)	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Y					PW										HC			
Perdido River	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Υ					PW					** S								
Riverton	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (QD) (HC)				QD (HC) & No 28-De 5, & De 23-26,															QD HC
Sam R. Murphy	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)	Y			Ja 20-23						PW			HC						
Scotch	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Y															D			
Seven-Mile Island	De 26 - Ja 31 (HC)																			
St. Clair	***Oc 15 - Ja 31 (S, exc. (HC) on Wed. & No 28 & 24 and De 12 & 13)		Y2	S exc. (HC) on Wed. & No 27&28 De 11&12													HC			
Swan Creek & Mallard Fox Creek	Oc 15 - No 20 (HC)																			
Upper Delta - Zone A	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Y										S								
Upper Delta - Zone B	*** Oc 15 - Ja 31	Y										S		D						
Wolf Creek	Oc 15 - Ja 31 (HC)				HC & Jan. 23-31															

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Freedom Hills							QD HC													QD HC						
Geneva State Forest		QD HC							QD HC																	
Hollins		** S																								
James D. Martin - Skyline		** S						PW						** S											S	
Lauderdale		QD HC										QD HC														QD HC
Little River							HC					HC					PW									
Lowndes (Note 6)					QD HC									QD HC												
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Oakmulgee (Note 11)		PW **							HC					HC **												
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Riverton							НС												HC			НС				
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St. Clair									HC																	
Swan Creek & Mallard Fox Creek																										
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# AUTAUGA COUNTY COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA (Autauga County)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Season permit to hunt dove on Saturdays and Wednesdays of the state dove season (12:00 noon until sunset) and falconers may be picked up at self-service box at the intersection of Buleau Road (leading to dove field) and Autauga County Road 57. Season permits may also be obtained by writing the District IV Wildlife Office, 1820-C Glynwood Drive, Prattville, AL 36066. Phone 334-358-0035. Include a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope and your current state and management area hunting license numbers.

# BARBOUR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Barbour and Bullock Counties)

<u>PERMITS</u>: Season permits for small game, archery, primitive weapons deer, and turkey may be obtained from self-service box at checking station. Permits requested by mail should be made to Adam Pritchett, 188 Christa Dr, Midway, AL 36053. Phone 334-529-3222. Request must include current hunting license number and large stamped self addressed envelope. All Deer Hunters (including archery) during the gun deer hunts shall be issued a hunting permit and shall report in and out at the check station located at the area headquarters. No daily permits issued on PW hunts – map permit shall be valid for PW hunts. All deer killed on youth, gun, and primitive weapon hunts shall be reported to personnel at the checking station which will open no later than 5:00 am; all deer killed during archery hunting and all turkeys killed during turkey season shall be reported at the self service facility located at the checking station. Trapping permits may be obtained only from area biologist. Roads are closed seasonally to public access from May 1 to September 1, but may be closed as needed after September 1. Buck size harvest restrictions apply, except for Youth Deer Hunts.

# BLACK WARRIOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA — BANKHEAD NATIONAL FOREST (Lawrence & Winston Counties)

PERMITS: Permits for gun deer hunts will be issued from the Black Warrior Headquarters Checking Station, 200 yards off of Hwy. 33 on the Northwest Road (Forest Service Rd. 208), on the dates of the hunts and from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. the day before the hunt. Permits for the Youth Turkey Hunt will be issued from the checking station on the day of the hunt. Season permits for the special feral swine hunt, small game, archery, primitive weapons deer hunt, the 6-consecutive day gun deer hunt on Zone A (Dec. 28 - Jan. 2) and spring turkey season may be obtained by writing Wildlife Biologist Barry Baird, P.O. Box 775, Moulton, AL 35650 (enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope and current hunting license numbers) or locally from Western Auto, Moulton; Dependable Service Center, Russellville; Wren Grocery, Intersection of Hwy. 33 and 36, three miles south of Moulton; J.D.'s Quick Stop, Hwy. 24, Mt. Hope; Wal-Mart locations at, Hwy. 195 East, Haleyville and at the intersection of Hwy. 24 and 157, Moulton; the Winston County Coop, Hwy. 195 east, Haleyville; Lawrence County Probate Judge's Office, Lawrence County Courthouse, Moulton; Winston County Probate Judge's Office, Winston County Courthouse, Double Springs; U.S. Forest Service Office, Hwy. 33 North, Double Springs; and from the self-service issuing station located at the management area headquarters, 200 yards off of AL Hwy. 33 on the Northwest Rd. (Forest Service Rd. 208) or by printing from the Internet at www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/ (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). All deer, turkey, and feral swine killed during the gun, primitive weapons and/or archery hunts shall be reported to the administrators of the hunt at the management area headquarters on the Northwest Road (Forest Service Road 208). Trapping permit must be obtained from the area wildlife biologist. Special buck antler restrictions apply on Zone B. NOTE: On the 6 day gun deer hunt on Zone A (Dec. 28 - Jan. 2), this map shall be your permit to hunt on the WMA and is valid for those 6 days and must be in your possession. You do not check in or out at check station for this hunt. The check station will not be open continuously on this hunt. Permits are available at the locations shown above. All deer harvested must be recorded on the reporting form at the check station prior to leaving the WMA.

# BLUE SPRING WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA — CONECUH NATIONAL FOREST (Covington County)

PERMITS: Season permits for small game, archery, primitive weapons deer, and turkey may be obtained from self-service box at checking station. All deer hunters (including archery) during the modern gun deer hunts shall be issued daily permits from the checking station and shall report in and out at the checking station coated at the Blue Spring Equipment Shed near Open Pond Tower in Conecuh National Forest. Checking station will be open no later than 5:00 am. No daily permits issued on PW hunts — map permit shall be valid for PW hunts. Season permits requested by mail issued by Area Biologist Justin Monk, 9682 Tower Road, Andalusia, AL 36420. Request must include current hunting license number and large stamped self addressed envelope. Season Permits available on a self service basis from the checking station or during business hours at the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office in Andalusia. Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist. On all stalk deer hunts, each hunter under 16 years and all females will be issued an either sex permit good for that hunt.

## CAHABA RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Bibb & Shelby Counties)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Gun deer permits will be issued daily from the checking station. Season small game, archery deer, primitive weapon, and turkey permits can be obtained locally at McKinney Wrecker Service, Rt. 2, Box 2, West Blocton, AL 35184; Holcomb Building Supply, 3690 Hwy. 25, Montevallo, AL 35115; Crossroads, Hwy 22 and 119, Montevallo; Jones Citgo, Hwy. 22 and 17, Montevallo; Chevron, Co. Rd. 17, Helena; BP, Hwy 17, Helena; Bart's Country Store, Hwy. 10, Pea Ridge; or by writing Area Biologist Chas Moore, P.O. Box 318, Calera, AL 35040 (office phone (205) 339-5716). Include a large, self-addressed stamped envelope and your current hunting license number and indicate the permit you desire. Trapping permits must be obtained from the area biologist.

# CHOCCOLOCCO WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA — TALLADEGA NATIONAL FOREST, CHOCCOLOCCO STATE FOREST, MOUNTAIN LONGLEAF WILDLIFE REFUGE (Calhoun and Cleburne Counties)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Permits for the Dec. 4-5 and Dec. 11-12 either sex gun deer hunts will be issued from the two checking stations during the dates of the hunts. The two checking stations are located at the intersection of FS 500 and FS 533 and at the intersection of Joseph Springs Rd. (FS 522) and Hwy. 9. They will be open from 5:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on dates of the two-day either-sex gun deer hunts. Permits on the two-day gun deer hunts will be issued the day before each hunt beginning at 3:00 p.m. and daily during these hunts. Season permits for the gun deer hunts of Nov. 25-29, Dec. 21-23, Jan. 3-6, for the Primitive Weapons deer hunt on Nov. 17-20, for the Youth deer

hunt on Nov. 14-15, and for small game, archery deer, and turkey will be available at most local license agents or may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Brandon Howell, 2188 Hollingsworth Rd., Jacksonville, Ala. 36265 (phone [256] 435-5422) or the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 4101 AL Hwy. 21 North, Jacksonville, AL 36265. Send your current state hunting license number along with a stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope. The season map permits are also available from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office in Jacksonville between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist.

# COOSA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Coosa County)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Season permits for the Nov. 14-15 Youth gun deer hunt, the Jan. 9-15 gun deer hunt and the Nov. 16-17 primitive weapons deer hunt and small game, turkey, and archery (deer) may be obtained by writing (must include self-addressed, business size, stamped envelope) the District IV Wildlife Office, 1820-C Glynwood Drive, Prattville, AL 36066. Phone: 334-358-0035. Season permits also issued locally at Kelley's Cross Roads Grocery, Hwy. 22, Sylacauga Outdoors on Hwy. 280 in Sylacauga and Toodlum's off Hwy. 231 in Hanover. All hunters (including archery) during the gun deer hunts on Nov. 27-28, Dec. 11\*-12\*, and Jan. 22-23 shall be issued a hunting permit at the checking station located at Mt. Moriah Church approximately 7 miles south of Weogufka off of County Hwy. 29. All deer killed shall be reported to personnel at the checking station. The checking station will be opened no later than 5:00 a.m. Trapping permits may be obtained only from area biologist.

### CROW CREEK, MUD CREEK AND RACCOON CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND NORTH SAUTY AND CROW CREEK WATERFOWL REFUGES (Jackson County)

<u>PERMITS:</u> A season permit required for all hunting on the waterfowl management areas and refuges may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Jud Easterwood, 234 County Road 141, Hollywood, AL 35752 along with a stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope. Phone (256) 437-2788. Permits will also be available from most hunting license vending agents in Jackson County. Federal duck stamp and federal regulations may be obtained at U.S. Post Office. Alabama duck stamp may be obtained from Probate Judge's Office. Note: Deer harvested on Saturday, Oct. 31, and Saturday, Nov. 7, must be presented at Coon Creek Outfitters on Hwy. 72 in Stevenson, Alabama for data collection. Data collection forms will be provided at local license agents to record deer harvested during the entire nine day archery hunt.

### DEMOPOLIS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Sumter, Hale, Marengo & Greene Counties)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Season permits issued for small game, gun deer, archery, primitive weapons, and turkey may be obtained from Wal-Mart, Hwy 80, Demopolis; Willingham's Sports, Hwy. 80, Demopolis; Elk Food Mart Shell Station, Hwy. 43 North, Demopolis; AMOCO Food Shop, Hwy. 28 West, Coatopa; Belmont Grocery, Belmont; Check-in sign at entrance to Damsite unit of Demopolis WMA; or by writing Area Biologist Justin Brock, P.O. Box 993, Demopolis, AL 36732 (Office phone [334] 289-8030).

# FRANK W. & ROB M. BOYKIN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Washington & Mobile Counties)

<u>PERMITS</u>: Gun deer permits except 7-day stalk and primitive weapons will be issued daily from checking station located on Washington Co. Rd. 35, 6 miles northeast of Citronelle, AL. Primitive weapons and season small game, archery deer, and turkey permits may be obtained from self-service box at the checking station or by writing Area Biologist Stewart Abrams, 30571 Fiver Rivers Blvd., Spanish Fort, AL 36527; Phone 251-626-5474. Include a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope and your current hunting license number. All deer and turkeys killed must be checked at the checking station. Trapping permits must be obtained from area biologist.

# FRED T. STIMPSON COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA

(Clarke County

<u>PERMITS:</u> Gun deer permits will be issued daily from checking station located on Clarke Co. Road 15, 11 miles south of Jackson, Al. Maps may be obtained from the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 30571 Five Rivers Blvd. Spanish Fort, AL 36527 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Mon.-Fri., or by writing to Area Biologist Fred Pringle, 30571 Five Rivers Blvd. Spanish Fort, AL 36527; Phone: 251-626-5474. Include a large self-addressed, stamped envelope and your current license number. All deer killed must be checked at the checking station.

# FREEDOM HILLS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Colbert County)

PERMITS: Season map/permits for small game, archery and turkey may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Mitchell Marks, 4200 White Pike, Cherokee, Al. 35616, (enclose current hunting license number and stamped, self-addressed envelope); or locally from Wal-Mart in Russellville and Muscle Shoals; Dependable Service Center, Russellville; Yogi's, intersection of Hwy. 72 and 247; Colbert County Courthouse in Tuscumbia; Franklin County Courthouse in Russellville; Dick's in Florence; and from the self-service issuing station located at Stewart's Camp or by printing from the Internet at <a href="https://www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/">https://www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/</a> (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). Deer and turkey harvested during the gun and/or archery hunts shall be reported to the hunt administrators. Deer or Turkey harvested on these hunts must be recorded at the checking station on the day harvested, or if the checking station is closed, in the archery/turkey harvest box at the Stewart's Camp information board prior to leaving the WMA. Silver gates on old portion of area will be closed except on days of gun deer hunts and the first 10 days of the squirrel season. All other entrance gates will be open from October 1 through the end of February and during the Spring Turkey Season. No secondary gates will be opened. Trapping permits must be obtained from area biologist. All youth hunt permits and gun deer hunt permits will be issued at the checking station on the day of the hunt. Special buck antier restrictions apply on all deer hunts, except on Youth Deer Hunt.

# GENEVA STATE FOREST WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Geneva County)

<u>PERMITS</u>: Daily permits for gun deer hunting will be issued from checking station, which will open no later than 5:00 a.m. No daily permits issued on PW hunts – map permit shall be valid for PW hunts. Season permits will be issued for small game, archery deer, primitive weapons deer, and turkey and are available at Clen's Tackle Shop, Hwy. 84 W., Opp; Lockhart grocery, Florala; Revel's Grocery, 4 miles west of Samson on Hwy. 52; Walmart Store, Geneva, and on a self-service basis from the checking station. Permits requested by mail

should be made to Area biologist John Powers, 1119 Forest Area Road, Kinston, AL 36453. Request must include current hunting license number and large stamped self addressed envelope. Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist. Buck size harvest restrictions apply, except for Youth Deer Hunts.

# HOLLINS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Clay & Talladega Counties)

PERMITS: Season permits for Jan. 2-8 gun deer hunt and the Nov. 18-19 primitive weapons deer hunt and small game, turkey, and archery (deer and turkey) may be obtained by writing (must include self-addressed, business size, stamped envelope) or contacting Area Biologist Gene Carver, PO Box 27, Hollins, AL 35082 or Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, District IV Wildlife Office, 1820-C Glynwood Drive, Prattville, AL 36066. Phone: 334-358-0035. Season permits also issued locally at Hollins WMA Checking Station, Hollins; Hollins General Store, Hwy 511, Hollins; Toodlums, Hwy. 231 in Hanover; Friendly Corner at the intersection of Hwy. 148; Main St. in Sylacauga; Sylacauga Outdoors on Hwy. 280 in Sylacaug; and Mike's Army Surplus Headquarters in Talladega. All deer hunters (including archery) during the gun deer hunts on Nov. 21, Dec. 4\*-5\* and Jan. 29-30 shall be issued a hunting permit at the checking station. Adults and youth participating in the youth turkey hunt on March 13 must check-in and out of the checking station. All deer killed shall be reported to personnel at the checking station. The checking station will be opened no later than 5:00 a.m. Trapping permits may be obtained only from the area biologist.

# JAMES D. MARTIN -SKYLINE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Jackson County)

PERMITS: Permits for the Nov. 14 youth deer hunt, the Nov. 21 and Dec. 4-5, and Dec. 18-19 gun deer hunts, will be issued from the two checking stations during the dates of the hunts. Season map permits will be valid for the deer hunts on Nov. 27-29, Dec. 30-Jan. 2, Jan. 8-10, Jan.22-24, and the Dec. 10-13 primitive weapon hunts, and for small game, archery deer, and turkey hunting. These season map permits may be obtained by writing: Area Biologist Frank Allen, 37 County Road 243, Scottsboro, Alabama 35768, phone (256) 587-3114 (enclose self-addressed stamped #10 envelope and current hunting license number). Season permits are available at most local license agents. The checking stations are located on Jackson Co. Rd. 55 one and one-half miles north of Co. Rd. 42, and on County Road 243,  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile north of Hwy 79 and Hwy 146 intersection. Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist. Checking stations will be open from 5:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on dates of Nov. 14, Nov. 21, Dec. 4-5, and Dec. 18-19. Deer harvested during these dates must be brought to the checking station. Deer harvested during the remaining deer hunts will be registered on a form provided for that purpose at each of the checking stations. Those hunters less than the age of 16 and female hunters may harvest either sex (except spotted fawns). One deer per day. Note: On the gun deer hunts on Nov. 27-29, Dec. 30-Jan. 2, Jan. 8-10, and Jan. 22-24 and the primitive weapons hunts on Dec. 10-13, this map shall be your permit to hunt on the WMA and must be in your possession. You do not check in or out at check stations. The check stations will be open only on the Youth hunt Nov. 14, and Gun Deer hunts on Nov. 21, Dec. 4-5, and Dec. 18-19.

# LAUDERDALE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

PERMITS: Permits for Gun Deer and Youth Turkey Hunts will be issued from the checking station on the dates of the hunts. Season permits for turkey, small game, and archery seasons may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Daniel Toole, P.O. Box 332, Waterloo, AL 35677; enclose current hunting license number with a self-addressed stamped envelope or locally from Waterloo Market, Waterloo; Dick's Sporting Goods, Florence; McFarland Funland & Bait Shop, McFarland Bottom, Florence; Brush Creek Gro., Wright; Lake View Market, Wright; Wal-Mart, Florence and from Probate Judge's Office, Lauderdale County Courthouse; and from the self-serve permit box at the Checking Station in Waterloo or by printing from the Internet at www. outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/ (both pages of the map/permit must be together to be valid). All deer and turkey harvested shall be reported to the administrators of the hunt at the checking station located on Waterloo Road prior to leaving the WMA. Should the station be closed animals can be recorded on the report form located in the permit box at the checking station. Trapping permits must be obtained from area biologist.

# LITTLE RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

PERMITS: SEASON MAP/PERMITS WILL BE USED FOR ALL GUN DEER HUNTS. The checking station will be open on these dates for data collection – Nov. 21, Dec. 12, 19, and Jan. 16, 30. All deer harvested on these dates must be checked at the check station. The checking station is located on Cherokec county Rd. 103, one-half mile from the intersection with Hwy. 35. Season map/permits will be used for all other hunting seasons listed. These season permits may be obtained at Day's Sporting Goods, Centre; Mark's Grocery, Highway 9, Centre; Shell Service Station, Fisher Crossroads; Abbot Marina, Airport Rd., Ft. Payne; Gun Center, Gault Ave., Ft. Payne; or by writing Area Biologist Tracy Nelson, 4415 County Road 75, Cedar Bluff, AL. 35959 (phone [256] 643-4139 extension 11). Send your current hunting license number along with a stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope. Season map permits are also available from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 4101 Hwy. 21 N., Jacksonville, Al. 36265 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. Trapping permits may be obtained from the Area Biologist.

# LOWNDES WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Lowndes County)

PERMITS: Season Permits for the Nov. 14-15 Youth gun deer hunt, the Dec. 5-11 gun deer hunt, special feral swine seasons Aug. 15- Sept. 4 and Mar 1-10, and small game, turkey and archery (deer) will be issued locally by St. Clair Grocery, County Road 29, St. Clair; US. Army Corps of Engineers Assistant Resource Office, Hwy. 80; White Hall; Triple Spot, Co. Rd. 23, White Hall; Hall's Grocery, Old Selma Road, Montgomery; Shopper Stop #145, Hwy. 80, (open 7 days/week and 24 hours/day) Lowndesboro; or by writting Area Biologist Chris Jaworowski, 154 Battlefield Road, Lowndesboro, AL 36752, or Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, District IV Wildlife Office, 1820-C Glynwood Drive, Prattville, AL 36066. Phone: 334-358-0035. All deer hunters (including archery during the gun deer hunts) Nov. 27-28, Dec. 18-19, Jan. 8-9, Jan 22-23, shall be issued a hunting permit at the checking station located on Hunters Loop Road off Henderson Road. Adults and youth participating in the youth turkey hunt on March 14 must check-in and out of the checking station. The checking station will be open no later than 5:00 am. Trapping permits may be obtained only from the Area Biologist. Special buck size harvest restrictions apply except Youth Deer Hunt.

<u>PERMITS</u>: A season permit is required for all hunting and is valid for all game species and seasons listed hereon. Permits may be obtained at self-service permit box located a the end of Baldwin County Road 86, Campbell Hardware, Mobile County River Delta Marina, Quint's Hardware, Saraland, Daphne, and Bay Minette Wal-Marts, Bass Pro, Spanish Fort, and from the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 30571 Five Rivers Blvd. Spanish Fort,AL 36527 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Mon.-Fri., or by writing to Area Biologist Keith Gauldin, 30571 Five Rivers Blvd. Spanish Fort,AL 36527; Phone: 251-626-5474. Include a large self-addressed, stamped envelope and your current license number. Trapping Permits must be obtained from area biologist.

# MULBERRY FORK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

PERMITS: Gun deer permits will be issued daily from the checking station located 3 miles north of the Franklin Ferry Bridge on Franklin Ferry Road, 12 miles north of Oak Grove, Alabama. Season small game, archery
deer, primitive weapon, and turkey permits can be obtained locally at The Grove, Lock 17 Road, Adger, AL
35006; Mini Mart, Hwy 69, Oakman, AL 35579; Fast Break Shop, Hwy 269, Goodsprings, AL 35560; Wal-Mart,
Hwy. 78, Jasper, AL 35501; Pat's Archery and Outdoors, Hwy. 78, Jasper, AL 35501; Quinn's Marina, Franklin
Ferry Rd., Parrish, AL 35580; or by writing Area Biologist Phil Miller, P.O. Box 176, Oakman, AL 35579 (office
phone (205) 339-5716). Include a large, self-addressed stamped envelope and your current hunting license
number and indicate the permit you desire. Trapping permits must be obtained from the area biologist.
Turkeys harvested must be reported to the area biologist. On each gun stalk deer hunt, each hunter under
16 years and/or female will be issued an either sex deer permit good for that days hunt only.

# OAKMULGEE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Bibb, Hale, Perry & Tuscaloosa Counties)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Gun deer permits will be issued daily from the checking station at the Elliott Creek Work Center on Hale Co. Hwy, 50, 11 miles east of Moundville, AL. Season small game, archery deer, primitive weapon, and turkey permits will be available at the self-service box located at the checking station; Wal-Mart, Skyland Blvd., Tuscaloosa; Duncanville Feed and Seed, Hwy. 82 E. Duncanville; County Line Grocery, Hwy 82 W.; Woods and Waters, Skyland Blvd., Tuscaloosa; and Pleasant Valley Store on Hale Co. Hwy. 25, Tuscaloosa; and Academy Sports and Outdoors, 710 Skyland Blvd., Tuscaloosa. Requests for small game, archery deer and turkey permits by mail should be sent to Area Biologist Jeff Makemson, 11481 Colonial Dr., Duncanville, AL. 35456 (phone [205] 371-6375 or [205] 339-5716). Include current hunting license number with a large, self-addressed stamped envelope. FERAL SWINE, archery deer and turkeys harvested must be reported by completing the self-service form at the checking station or contacting the area biologist. Trapping permits must be obtained from the area biologist. On each gun stalk deer hunts, each hunter under 16 years and/ or female will be issued an either sex deer permit good for that days hunt only.

# PERDIDO RIVER WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Baldwin County)

<u>PERMITS</u>: Gun deer permits will be issued daily from the checking station located on Duck Road at the intersection of Barinaeu Park Road and Baldwin County 112. Season small game, archery deer, and turkey permits may be obtained from the self service box at the checking station or at Bass Pro Shop, Spanish Fort; Campbell's Hardware, Wal-Marts in Bay Minette, Fairhope and Daphne and from the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries office or by writing Chris Nix 30571 Five Rivers Blvd. Spanish Fort, Alabama 36527 (Phone [251]626-5474). Include a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope and your current hunting license number. All deer and turkey harvested must be recorded on the form posted at the checking station. Trapping permits must be obtained from area biologist.

# RIVERTON COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA (Colbert County)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Season map/permits for small game, archery, turkey and gun deer may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Mitchell Marks, 4200 White Pike, Cherokee, AL. 35616 (enclose current hunting license numbers and stamped, self-addressed envelope); or locally from Wal-Mart in Muscle Shoals; Colbert County Courthouse in Tuscumbia; Rose Trail Bait Shop, Riverton or by printing from the Internet at <a href="www.outdooral-abama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/">www.outdooral-abama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/</a> (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). Deer and turkey harvested during the gun and/or archery hunts shall be reported to the hunt administrators by recording harvested game at the checking station harvest box at Rose Trail Bait Shop. All entrance gates will be opened from October 1 through the end of February and during Spring Turkey Season. No secondary gates will be opened. Trapping permits must be obtained from area biologist. Special buck antler restrictions apply for all deer hunting.

### SAM R. MURPHY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Lamar and Marion Counties)

PERMITS: Permits for the Nov. 14 Youth Deer Hunt, and the Hunter's Choice Stalk Deer Hunts on Dec. 10 – 12 and Jan. 14 - 16 will be issued daily from the checking Station located ½ mile east of Pikeville on Marion Co. Road 2. Pikeville is 4 miles north of Guin, AL on US Hwys. 43, 78 and 278. Season map/permits will be valid for all small game, archery, turkey hunts, primitive weapons deer hunts and the Hunters Choice Stalk Deer Hunts on Nov. 23 - 28 and Dec. 26 – Jan. 2. Season map/permits may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Kevin Pugh, 827 Cooner Road, Jasper, AL 35503. Include a current hunting license number and a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Season map/permits will also be available at Country Corner, Guin; Hardware Plus, Guin; Texaco Truck Stop, Hwy 78, Hamilton; Marion County Lake; Wal-Mart, Winfield and Hamilton; Marion and Lamar County Courthouses; and Ford Dealership, Sulligent during regular business hours or by printing from the Internet at www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/ (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). All deer and turkey killed must be checked at the checking station. Trapping permits must be obtained from the area biologist.

## SCOTCH WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Clarke County

<u>PERMITS</u>: Permits required for all hunting and trapping. Gun deer and youth deer and turkey permits issued daily from Management Area Headquarters. No dog deer permits issued after 7:00 A.M. Season small game, archery deer, and turkey permits may be picked up at Area Headquarters or through the mail by writing District Office, 30571 Five Rivers Blvd., Spanish Fort, AL 36527; Phone 251-626-5474 (include current hunting license numbers and SASE).

SEVEN-MILE ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA AND KEY CAVE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERIVCE

(Lauderdale County)

<u>PERMITS:</u> A season permit is required for all hunting and trapping. Waterfowl, small game, feral swine, and archery deer permits may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Daniel Toole, P.O. Box 332, Waterloo, AL 35677; enclose current hunting license number with a self-addressed, stamped envelope, or Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, Decatur or locally from McFarland Funland & Bait Shop, McFarland Bottom, Florence; Dick's Sporting Goods, Florence; Probate Judge's Office, Lauderdale County Courthouse; and Wal-Mart, Florence; and from self-serve permit box located at main entrance off of Hwy. 20 just west of Cypress Creek next to the Florence Water Treatment Plant or by printing from the Internet at www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/ (both pages of the map/permit must be  $together\ to\ be\ valid).\ Trapping\ permits\ must\ be\ obtained\ from\ the\ area\ biologist.\ Federal\ duck\ stamps$ and federal regulations may be obtained at from local U.S. Postal Service Offices. State duck stamps may be obtained at Probate Judge's Office or from any hunting license vendor selling electronically generated licenses, or with a credit card via the internet at www.outdooralabama.com or by calling 1-888-848-6887. Vehicles will be allowed beyond entrance gate the first 10 days of the dove season. All deer harvested during the archery season and all feral swine must be recorded on the reporting form located in the permit box at entrance gate off of Hwy. 20 just west of Cypress Creek next to the Florence Water Treatment Plant prior to leaving the area.

# ST. CLAIR COMMUNITY HUNTING AREA (St. Clair County)

PERMITS: A season permit is required for all hunting and is valid for all game species and seasons listed hereon. Either-sex gun hunts will be on Nov. 27-28, Dec. 11-12, and every Wednesday of the gun deer season. Season permits may be obtained locally from Highway 231 Quickstop located at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 231 and U.S. Hwy. 411; K & N Service Station, intersection of U.S. Hwy. 231 and U.S. Hwy. 241; K & N Service Station, intersection of U.S. Hwy. 231 and AL Hwy. 144; K-Mart and Wal-Mart in Pell City; Lucky's Bait and Tackle on Main Street, Pell City; 5th Avenue Grocery, Hwy. 411, Ashville; and from Conservation Enforcement Officers in St. Clair County. Permits will also be issued from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mon.-Fri., or by writing to Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 4101 AL Hwy. 21 North, Jackson-ville, AL 36265 (enclose current hunting license number and stamped, self-addressed #10 envelope). Trapping permits must be obtained from Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office (address above). All deer and turkey killed on the area must be recorded on a ledger made available at Highway 231 Quickstop and at K & N Service Station.

# SWAN CREEK & MALLARD FOX CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS (Limestone, Morgan & Lawrence Counties)

PERMITS: A season permit is required for all hunting. Permits for trapping must be obtained from area biologist. Waterfowl, small game, and archery deer permits may be obtained by writing Area Biologist Steve Bryant, 21453 Harris Station Rd., Tanner, AL 35671 (Phone [256] 353-2634). Permits issued locally by J.C.'s Gun and Tackle, 1112 6th Ave. S.E., Decatur and 1650 Jordan Lane, NW, Huntsville; Wiley Outdoor Sports, 1808 Sportsman Lane, Huntsville and 1820 6th Ave. S.E. Decatur; West End Chevron 17171 Hwy 72 West, Athens; and self-service issuing station located next to the Swan Creek equipment shed. FEDERAL DUCK STAMP AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED AT U.S. POST OFFICE. ALABAMA DUCK STAMP OBTAINED AT THE COUNTY LICENSE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE OR FROM ANY HUNTING LICENSE VENDOR SELLING ELECTRONICALLY GENERATED LICENSES. NOTE: All deer harvested on Swan Creek and Mallard Fox Creek WMA must have data recorded at one of the following locations: BY PHONE AT (256) 308-2506, BY INTERNET AT Steve.Bryant@dcnr.alabama.gov.; the check station located just east of the Swan Creek equipment shed, Marie's Country Store, located at intersection of Lucas Ferry Road and Nuclear Plant Road, JoMo's One Stop located at intersection of Hwy 31 and Airport Rd., Mojo Deli 6, 3065 Hwy. 20 Decatur, or Bud's Store, 16900 Hwy 20, Hillsboro.

# UPPER DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Baldwin and Mobile Counties)

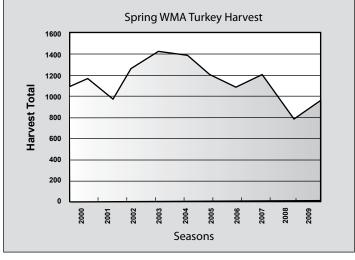
PERMITS: A season permit is required for all hunting and is valid for all game species and seasons listed on permit. Permits may be obtained at self-service permit box located on Area off St. Luke Church Road or from Mobile County River Delta Marina, Quints Hardware, Bass Pro Shop, Boatyard Landing, Hubbard's Landing, Upper Bryants Landing, Saraland, Daphne, and Bay Minette Walmarts, Mt. Vernon Hardware, Baldwin County Courthouse, Mobile County License Commissioner's Office and from the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 30571 Five Rivers Boulevard, Spanish Fort, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday-Friday, or by writing to Area Biologist Steven W. Barnett, 30571 Five Rivers Blvd., Spanish Fort, AL 36527; Phone 251-626-5474. Include a large self-addressed, stamped envelope and your current hunting license number. Trapping permits must be obtained from the Area Biologist. ALL DEER AND TURKEY HARVESTED MUST BE REPORTED AT SELF-SERVICE CHECK STATION ON AREA OR ON HARVEST RECORDS LOCATED AT UPPER BRYANTS LANDING, HUBBARD'S LANDING, BOATYARD LANDING, MOBILE COUNTY RIVER DELTA MARINA, OR MT. VERNON HARDWARE.

# WOLF CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (Walker & Fayette Counties)

<u>PERMITS:</u> Season map/permits will be valid for all gun deer, archery deer, small game, and turkey hunting and can be obtained by writing Area Biologist Kevin Pugh, 827 Cooner Road, Jasper, AL 35503. Include a current hunting license number and a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Season map/permits may also be obtained from self-service box at the checking station located south of AL Hwy. 102 on Frozen Hollow Road or from Park's Archery, Hwy 78, Jasper; The Country Store, Hwy 102, Townley; Wal-Mart 78 East, Jasper, during regular business hours, or by printing from the Internet at <a href="https://www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/">www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/</a> (both pages of the internet map/permit must be together to be valid). All deer and turkey killed must be checked at the checking station. Trapping permits must be obtained from the area biologist.

### Statistics for Spring Turkey Hunting on Alabama WMAs

The graph below reflects a ten-year trend of spring turkey harvests on WMAs. Management decisions for wildlife are usually based over a period of time (trend) rather than spotlighting any particular season due to normal fluctuations in populations from year to year. Turkey harvest data for each WMA in the 2009 spring season are shown in the table.



2009 Spring WMA Tu	ırkey Harves	st Data		
Wildlife Management Area	Man-Days Hunted	Known Legal Harvest	Estimated Legal Harvest	Man-Days Hunted per Turkey Harvested
BARBOUR	580	29	40	14.5
BLACK WARRIOR	1,212	29	67	18.1
BLUE SPRING	1,000	25	70	14.3
САНАВА	400	5	14	28.6
CHOCCOLOCCO	300	33	70	4.3
COOSA	650	12	50	13.0
DEMOPOLIS	350	13	21	16.7
FRANK W. & ROB M. BOYKIN	550	21	30	18.3
FREEDOM HILLS	1,119	19	32	35.0
GENEVA STATE FOREST	300	14	20	15.0
HOLLINS	500	10	40	12.5
J.D. MARTIN-SKYLINE	720	19	36	20.0
LAUDERDALE	500	19	20	25.0
LITTLE RIVER	600	16	35	17.1
LOWNDES	350	19	35	10.0
MULBERRY FORK	500	28	35	14.3
OAKMULGEE	800	70	85	9.4
PERDIDO RIVER	200	11	25	8.0
RIVERTON	253	6	15	16.9
SAM R. MURPHY	1,200	67	90	13.3
SCOTCH	375	25	37	10.1
ST. CLAIR	110	8	20	5.5
UPPER DELTA	150	17	25	6.0
W. L. HOLLAND	76	1	7	10.9
WOLF CREEK	400	9	20	20.0
TOTALS	13,195	521	939	14.1

### 2008-09 Statistics for Deer Hunting on Alabama's WMAs

The number of deer killed on each wildlife management area (WMA), the hunting method, and the man-days of participation are compared in Tables 1 and 2 (information taken from Deer Hunt Results on Alabama Wildlife Management Areas, Annual Report, 2008-09). Hunter participation and success can vary due to weather, date of hunt, and length of the season. Statewide participation in stalk hunts increased by 1,149 man-days from last year's totals, with 15 of the 26 WMAs that offered stalk hunts increasing in hunter participation on stalk hunts during the 2008-09 season. Hunter success increased, going from 18 man-days per deer killed on stalk hunts in 2007-08 to 16 man-days per deer killed on stalk hunts in 2008-09. This success rate was better than the average of 17.5 man-days per deer killed on stalk hunts for the period of 2002-2007. Twenty WMAs scheduled either-sex deer hunts for youth hunters during the 2008-09 hunting season. Each hunter who participated in one of these special hunts had to be less than 16 years of age and accompanied by a non-hunting, licensed adult 25 years of age or older, or a parent. Total participation on these hunts increased from last year's total of 718 hunters to 1,015 hunters for 2008-09. The deer kill on these hunts increased, from 33 deer in 2007-08 to 182 deer in 2008-09. The primary purpose of the youth hunts is to acquaint young hunters with deer hunting. These hunts will continue on WMAs in the future.

### Quality Deer Management on Some Alabama WMAs

Six WMAs currently are under quality deer management (QDM) guidelines. The 2008-09 hunting season was the tenth year of QDM for Barbour WMA, the ninth year for Geneva State Forest WMA, the seventh for Freedom Hills and Lauderdale WMAs, the sixth year for Lowndes WMA, and the second year for Black Warrior-Zone B. Antlered bucks must have at least 3-points on one antler (4 points at Black Warrior - Zone B) to be legal to kill and hunters have more opportunity to kill antlerless deer on gun deer hunts on all of these WMAs. The first five WMAs have shown considerable improvements in the age structure of the antlered buck kill since initiation of the QDM programs. For the 2008-09 hunting season, the overwhelming majority of the antlered bucks reported killed on these areas was comprised of 2-1/2 year old and older deer (Barbour 80%, Black Warrior-Zone B 100%, Geneva State Forest 61%, Freedom Hills 88%, Lauderdale 83%, Lowndes 83%). Prior to the implementation of the antler restrictions, 1-1/2 year olds were the largest age class in the annual buck kill. Over time, the current management strategies on all six areas should continue to produce a higher percentage of adult bucks (2-1/2 years old and older) in the population, as well as a more balanced adult sex ratio, more intense rutting behavior, and many other traits characteristic of a healthy, balanced deer herd managed under QDM. Biologists on these areas will continue to collect biological data, as well as public opinion data, to monitor the status of the deer herds and deer hunters on these six WMAs. These data will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of current management practices used on the areas and aid biologists in making decisions to help achieve their long-term management objectives. If the public's demand for more WMAs managed for better quality deer becomes stronger, the ADWFF may decide to initiate QDM programs on other public hunting areas in the future.

If you would like further detailed information regarding the 2008-09 Wildlife Management Area Deer Hunt results, the complete report is available at: www.outdooralabama.com/research-mgmt/publications/



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Wildlife Management Area	Man-Days Hunted	Estimated Legal Kill	Man-Days Hunted Per Deer	Man-Days Hunte Success (%
			Killed	
BARBOUR	940	82	11.5	8.7%
BLACK WARRIOR - ZONE A	400	28	14.3	7.0%
BLACK WARRIOR - ZONE B	260	9	28.9	3.5%
BLUE SPRING	1,350	126	10.7	9.3%
FRANK W. & ROB M. BOYKIN	575	27	21.3	4.79
CAHABA RIVER	1,275	55	23.2	4.39
CHOCCOLOCCO	670	86	7.8	12.89
COOSA	900	61	14.8	6.89
DEMOPOLIS	550	31	17.7	5.69
FREEDOM HILLS	868	22	39.5	2.59
GENEVA STATE FOREST	430	30	14.3	7.09
W.L. HOLLAND & MOBILE -TENSAW DELTA	1,250	27	46.3	2.29
HOLLINS	950	47	20.2	4.99
JACKSON COUNTY WATERFOWL AREAS	2,004	52	38.5	2.69
KINTERBISH	160	16	10.0	10.09
LAUDERDALE	180	13	13.8	7.29
LITTLE RIVER	1,050	38	27.6	3.69
LOWNDES	775	54	14.4	7.09
JAMES D. MARTIN-SKYLINE	1,095	36	30.4	3.39
MULBERRY FORK	480	121	4.0	25.29
SAM R. MURPHY	475	50	9.5	10.59
OAKMULGEE	1,700	139	12.2	8.29
PERDIDO RIVER	386	54	7.1	14.09
RIVERTON	699	17	41.1	2.49
SCOTCH	215	10	21.5	4.79
SEVEN-MILE ISLAND	160	22	7.3	13.89
ST. CLAIR	410	51	8.0	12.49
SWAN CREEK & MALLARD FOX CREEK	675	26	26.0	3.99
UPPER DELTA - ZONE A	950	17	55.9	1.89
UPPER DELTA - ZONE B	350	8	43.8	2.39
WOLF CREEK	365	24	15.2	6.69
TOTALS	22.547	1,379	16.4	6.1

TABLE 2. Deer Hunting on Alabama's	WMAs: Firea	ırms* 2008-	09	
Wildlife Management Area	Man-Days Hunted	Estimat- ed Legal Kill	Man-Days Hunted Per Deer Killed	Man-Days Hunter Success (%)
BARBOUR	3,363	207	16.2	6.2%
BLACK WARRIOR - ZONE A	2,759	76	36.3	2.8%
BLACK WARRIOR - ZONE B	1,783	32	55.7	1.8%
BLUE SPRING	3,498	402	8.7	11.5%
FRANK W. & ROB M. BOYKIN	2,788	86	32.4	3.1%
CAHABA RIVER	2,932	139	21.1	4.7%
CHOCCOLOCCO	3,432	224	15.3	6.5%
COOSA	1,937	128	15.1	6.6%
DEMOPOLIS	897	112	8.0	12.5%
FREEDOM HILLS	3,273	129	25.4	3.9%
GENEVA STATE FOREST	877	101	8.7	11.5%
W.L. HOLLAND & MOBILE -TENSAW DELTA	1,445	26	55.6	1.8%
HOLLINS	2,049	106	19.3	5.2%
JAMES D. MARTIN-SKYLINE	4,564	251	18.2	5.5%
KINTERBISH	303	33	9.2	10.9%
LAUDERDALE	2,485	131	19.0	5.3%
LITTLE RIVER	2,759	105	26.3	3.8%
LOWNDES	1,664	108	15.4	6.5%
MULBERRY FORK	3,764	212	17.8	5.6%
OAKMULGEE	3,281	301	10.9	9.2%
PERDIDO RIVER	1,871	138	13.6	7.4%
RIVERTON	1,092	47	23.2	4.3%
SAM R. MURPHY	1,852	252	7.3	13.6%
SCOTCH	1,963	97	20.2	4.9%
ST. CLAIR	2,000	115	17.4	5.8%
FRED T. STIMPSON	232	136	1.7	58.6%
UPPER DELTA - ZONE A	878	83	10.6	9.5%
UPPER DELTA - ZONE B	882	44	20.0	5.0%
WOLF CREEK	726	52	14.0	7.2%
TOTALS	61,349	3,873	15.8	6.3%

# NOTE: THIS IS PROPOSED RULE FOR 2009-2010. NOT FINALIZED AT PUBLICATION. CHECK WITH WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES FOR FINAL RULE. THERE ARE MANY SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT APPLY ONLY ON WMAS, YOU SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH ALL REGULATIONS BEFORE VISITING A WMA.

By authority vested in me as Commissioner of Conservation and Natural Resources of the State of Alabama as provided for by the Code of Alabama 1975, §§ 9-11-301, and 9-11-305, I do hereby establish, proclaim and promulgate the following regulation which has the force and effect of law:

Section 1. Rule 220-2-55, entitled "Wildlife Management Areas, Community Hunting Areas, Public Hunting Areas, and Refuges of Alabama", is hereby amended to read as follows:

220-2-.55 Wildlife Management Areas, Community Hunting Areas, Public Hunting Areas, and Refuges of Alabama

- (1) It shall be unlawful on ALL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS, COMMUNITY HUNTING AREAS, PUBLIC HUNTING AREAS, AND REFUGE AREAS, all of which are established as "wildlife management areas" by Rule 220-2-.22 and all of which are hereinafter sometimes collectively referred to herein as "AREAS" or "AREAS".
- (a) To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, traps, or bow and arrow, except on open designated target ranges and except bow fishing equipment from March 1 -August 31, without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled AREA seasons during legal hunting hours and only with the required hunting license(s) and stamps and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit. See (ff) for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.
- (b) To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
- (c) To use dogs for small game hunting where dogs are expressly prohibited.
- (d) To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from March 1 until the opening of the following fall gun season.
- (e) For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on any AREA unless accompanied by a licensed hunter at all times.
- (f) To have in possession any fully automatic rifle or any firearms, ammunition or bow and arrow except as described below:
- DEER: Stalk Hunts Centerfire rifles that have been plugged or are otherwise incapable of holding more
  than 11 cartridges and using mushrooming and/or expanding type ammunition, shotguns using slugs or
  single round balls, muzzle loading firearms. 40 caliber or larger, or centerfire handguns with a minimum 4
  inch barrel length using mushrooming and/or expanding type ammunition. All applicable laws regarding
  possessing and carrying handguns must be followed.
- DEER: Stalk Hunting Primitive Weapons Hunt ¬-using only muzzle loading rifles, muzzle loading handguns, muzzle loading shotguns, or bow and arrow (including crossbow). Rifles and handguns to be .40 caliber or larger; shotguns to use single round balls only. Firearms must be incapable of holding more than one charge per barrel.
- 3. DEER: Dog Hunts Shotguns using buckshot only.
- FERAL SWINE SPECIAL SEASONS: the same provisions as set out in (1)(f) 1, and (1)(f) 2, above, except at Seven Mile Island where Primitive Weapons Stalk Deer Hunt provisions only apply, as set out in (1)(f) 2, above.
- TURKEY: Shotguns using No. 2 shot or smaller and bow and arrow (no crossbows).
- 6. DOVE, WOODCOCK, SNIPE AND RAIL: Shotguns using No. 2 shot or smaller.
- WATERFOWL: Shotguns using steel shot, T size or smaller. Waterfowl may also be hunted with other U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service approved shot and sizes.
- QUAIL: Shotguns using No. 4 shot or smaller
- SQUIRREL, CROW AND RABBIT: Shotguns using No. 4 shot or smaller, rimfire firearms, muzzle loading rifles
  .40 caliber or smaller, or rifles operated by air.
- RACCOON AND OPOSSUM Daylight hours: shotguns using No. 4 shot or smaller or rimfire firearms only.
   Nighttime hours: shotguns using No. 6 shot or smaller; or .22 caliber rimfire firearms.
- 11. BOBCAT AND FOX: May be killed during any scheduled AREA hunt within the time period of deer and turkey seasons in that county, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts during daylight hours only. Only one (1) fox per day may be harvested.
- 12. BOW AND ARROW: (not including Crossbows) will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts. Crossbows will be legal during any open bow and arrow season dates for any species (except turkey). Broadhead points will be legal only during scheduled deer and turkey hunts. All archery equipment used during the bow fishing season of March 1 ¬- August 31 must conform to the provisions of Rule 220¬-2¬-.46, relating to bow fishing.
- 13. Falconry: will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts for legally permitted falconers. Falconers may take migratory game birds (not more than 3 per day) and resident game birds and animals on dates those seasons are open on each AREA.
- TRAPPING: Standard .22 caliber or smaller rimfire firearms (no magnums) only, during daylight hours only

   except where expressly forbidden.
- (g) For any person to hunt deer with gun without first presenting his required hunting licenses at the checking station except on Demopolis, Riverton, St. Clair, W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta, Wolf Creek, and Upper Delta AREAS.
- (h) For any person to carry in or on a vehicle, any of the following: any firearms [including pistols/handguns, except as described in (ff)] with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or flash powder in place, or cocked crossbows. See (ff) for limited exception for certain lawfully licensed handguns possessed for personal protection.

- (i) For hunters on dog deer hunts to leave stand assigned to them until instructed.
- (j) To camp on any AREA except in designated sites. Campers using generators must camp in site designated for generator use. On AREAS located on U. S. Forest Service lands, this camping restriction applies October 1 → January 31, except on Choccolocco AREA, where the camping restriction shall also be in effect from October 1 through April 30 of each year. Individuals or groups may camp on AREAS for a period not to exceed nine (9) days in any thirty (30) day period. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area. All campers (portable shelters on wheels) must be removed from Barbour or Freedom Hills AREAS by sundown on the first Sunday following April 30th; otherwise, the camper may be towed from the AREA at the owner's expense; or, may be relocated to another portion of the AREA without AREA personnel being responsible for any damages and the owner assessed a \$10.00 per day storage fee without the State or AREA personnel responsible for any damage, loss, etc. No campers are permitted on Barbour or Freedom Hills AREAS, until September 1, unless approved by special PERMIT issued by the AREA biologist. All campers left unattended overnight must display the owner's contact information to include name, address, and phone numbers.
- (k) To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to coyote or feral swine, which may be killed during all scheduled AREA hunts, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts during daylight hours only (NO DOGS).
- (I) To discharge fireworks at any time.
- (m) To discharge firearms for target practice provided, however, that this regulation shall not apply to the designated target range on Barbour, Black Warrior, Cahaba River, Choccolocco, Coosa, Freedom Hills, Sam R. Murphy, James D. Martin – Skyline, Oakmulgee, Swan Creek and Upper Delta AREAS. All range users shall abide by the listed rules. Permits for the excepted uses will be issued by the AREA biologist. The range may be closed as necessary by the AREA biologist.
- 1. Range is open during daylight hours only (except by permit).
- 2. No alcoholic beverages allowed.
- Any legal firearm and ammunition (except armor piercing or tracer by permit only) may be used on target range.
- Keep all firearms unloaded and muzzles pointed in a safe direction when not firing. Action on uncased duns shall be open when not on the firing line.
- All persons are to remain behind the shooting line while firing is taking place. No firing shall be allowed while anyone is down range.
- 6. All firearms (except as noted below in #7.) shall only be fired from designated stations on the concrete shooting line into the embankment at stationary paper targets. Targets must be placed so shots will impact the embankment no higher than 5'above ground level at the base of the embankment. Only one person may shoot from each designated location at any given time.
- 7. Shotguns with No. 4 shot or smaller may be fired at moving clay targets on designated clay areas only.
- All used targets, brass, shotgun hulls, and other trash shall be placed in a garbage can, or removed from the AREA.
- (n) To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam or timber operation, 100 yards of any paved public road or highway, or from within the right-of-way of any developed U.S. Forest Service road (paved or unpaved) which is open for vehicular traffic; within a posted safety zone or on Sunday within one/half mile of any church.
- (o) To use fire to smoke out game.
- (p) For any person to possess any firearm while hunting with bow and arrow or crossbow, except on days of either sex gun deer hunts.
- (q) To transport deer killed during gun hunts from any AREA before being checked at the designated checking stations for scientific data, except on Demopolis, Riverton, St. Clair, W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta. Wolf Creek, and Upper Delta AREAS.
- (r) For any person except authorized personnel to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits vehicular traffic.
- (s) For any unauthorized person to possess and/or operate ANY UNLICENSED MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLE (2, 3, 4, or 6 wheel) on Autauga, Black Warrior, Cahaba River, Coosa, Demopolis, Mulberry Fork, and Perdido River AREAS. For any unauthorized person at any time to operate a motor scooter, motorcycle, motorized trail bike, or any motor driven vehicle on any AREA except on regularly used roads open for public use by four wheel vehicle traffic and except on U.S. Forest Service land in an AREA where "all terrain" vehicles (ATV's) must be used on open designated ATV trails only; or for any unauthorized person to ride or possess horses on any AREA except: (1) on roads open to four-wheel motorized vehicles, except Autauga; and (2) in areas, roads, and trails, designated as open to horses, except Autauga, Riding or possession of horses is prohibited on any AREA on days of scheduled gun deer hunts, and during legal hours of turkey hunting, except those portions of AREAS kept open to such activity by the U. S. Forest Service, and except on Freedom Hills and James D. Martin-Skyline where horses are only allowed on designated horse trails from March 1 to the beginning of turkey season and May 1 to September 30. Riding or possession of horses on wildlife management AREAS, except those on U.S. Forest Service lands, shall be restricted to holders of a current valid Wildlife Management Area license and a valid wildlife management area permit.
- For any person to hunt deer or feral swine on days of scheduled gun or primitive weapons hunts without wearing an outer garment above the waist containing a minimum of 144 square inches of hunter orange color or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. Hunters are not required to wear hunter orange when hunting from a stand elevated twelve (12) feet or more above the ground. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo and/or printing on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle. All persons hunting any wildlife species (except turkey and migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during legal nighttime hours) on the W.L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta AREAS during dates and in areas open by regulation to feral swine season are required to wear an outer garment above the waist with a minimum of 144 square inches of hunter orange or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap.
- (u) For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road or at any gate by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
- (v) For any person to deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on any AREA maintained by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources prior to receiving approval from said Department.
- (w) To hunt small game during gun deer hunts and primitive weapons hunts except on the W. L. Holland and Mobile-Tensaw Delta AREAS, and except waterfowl in the Daub's Swamp, Spidle Lake, and Dead Lake units of the Demopolis AREA and in the Upper Delta AREA.
- (x) To damage or remove any artifacts, trees, crops, or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod without legal

authorization.

- (y) To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold without written permission from the landowners. No portable stands may be used within 50 yards of the boundary line on Barbour and Geneva State Forest ARFAS.
- (z) To cast a light of any kind, either hand held, affixed to a vehicle, or otherwise, between the hours of sunset and sunrise except in areas where the state law is more restrictive. This paragraph does not apply to the headlights of vehicles traveling in a normal manner on an open established road.
- (aa) To hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a full body safety harness capable of supporting their weight.
- (bb) To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.
- (cc) To release any animal, bird, fish, or other wildlife without first obtaining written permission from the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- (dd) To possess or use alcoholic beverages on the Coosa AREA.
- (ee) The provisions of Rule 220-2-.109 entitled "Physically Disabled Hunting Areas", shall apply to that area entitled "Shiloh Hill Physically Disabled Hunting Area" located within Blue Spring Wildlife Management Area; provided further, that as to said physically disabled hunting area, in the event of a conflict between the provisions of Rule 220-2-109 and this rule, Rule 220-2-.109 shall control.
- (ff) Nothing in this regulation prohibits or requires a wildlife management area permit for the possession of handguns by lawfully licensed persons for personal protection, provided the handguns are not used to hunt or take or to attempt to take wildlife except as otherwise provided by this regulation.
- (2) Individuals must follow the listed rules to participate in the scheduled youth deer or turkey hunts on any AREA.
- (a) Each youth participant must be accompanied by an adult supervisor. The adult supervisor is to remain within arms length of the youth at all times.
- (b) Youth is defined as those individuals who have not reached their sixteenth birthday.
- (c) Adult is defined as those individuals twenty—five years old or older or the parent of the youth who are in possession of all state hunting licenses required to hunt deer or turkey on any AREA. Proof of possession of the required hunting licenses will be required on the scheduled date.
- (d) Only one firearm will be allowed per youth. Only the youth hunter will be permitted to utilize the firearm for hunting. The adult is to review with the youth the rules of firearm safety and to ensure they are followed.
- (e) The adulty-youth pair is to check in and out at the AREA checking station as a single unit, except at Demopolis, St. Clair, W.L. Holland, Mobile-Tensaw Delta, Wolf Creek, and Upper Delta AREAS.
- (f) Both the adult and youth will be required to wear hunter orange while deer hunting, as required by state regulation.
- (g) All other rules and regulations to hunt on an AREA are in effect.
- (3) All bucks harvested must be properly recorded on the hunter's Antlered Deer Harvest Record form before field dressing or moving.
- (4) It shall be unlawful on Coosa AREA for any person to carry firearms in boats with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms except when hunting waterfowl from a stationary boat.
- (5) It shall be unlawful on Coosa AREA for any person to ride or possess horses except on roads designated for four wheel motorized vehicles. Horses are not permitted in the campgrounds from October 1 to April
- (6) It shall be unlawful on Barbour (except on Youth Deer Hunt), Freedom Hills (except on Youth Deer Hunt), Geneva State Forest (except on Youth Deer Hunt), Lauderdale, Lowndes (except on Youth Deer Hunt), and Riverton AREAS for any person, hunting by any method, to harvest, attempt to harvest, or possess any antlered buck with less than 3 points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler; and it shall be unlawful on Black Warrior Zone B AREA for any person, hunting by any method, to harvest, attempt to harvest, or possess any antlered buck with less than 4 points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler. It shall also be unlawful for anyone to destroy or attempt to destroy the antlers of any deer so as to make the determination of the legal status of the deer uncertain.
- (7) It shall be unlawful on Swan Creek ,Crow Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek AREAS:
- (a) For any vehicle not authorized by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or TVA to be driven beyond and/or between the dyke gates.
- (b) For any person to leave his vehicle parked at the approved launching sites. Hunters must use the designated parking areas. However, handicapped persons with approved handicapped vehicles may be parked at the designated handicap parking location at the main launch only.
- (c) For any person to take, catch, kill, or attempt to take, catch, or kill mussels during the prescribed waterfowl hunting season.
- (d) For any person to excavate, to hunt or attempt to hunt from any  $dug\neg$ -out or excavated area.
- (8) The following shall apply to the dewatering sloughs on Swan Creek, Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek AREAS:
- (a) All boats and/or boat blinds used in the harvest of waterfowl on said dewatering sloughs shall be launched and removed daily or shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring. [For the Swan Creek AREA. see (9)(i).]
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to take fish for commercial purposes and/or to use commercial fishing gear within said dewatering units from November 1 through January 31 of each fiscal year.
- (c) Temporary blinds may be used for one day only. All such blinds, except boat blinds, left in said areas for more than one day shall be disposed of as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- (d) The construction or use of permanent blinds requiring building material, flooring and/or flotation materials shall not be permitted in, or within 150 yards of, the Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek dewatering units.
- (e) It shall be unlawful for any person using duck and/or goose decoys in the Mud Creek and Raccoon Creek dewatering units to leave said decoys overnight. In addition, all unauthorized activity is prohibited from the herein mentioned dewatering units; from 7:00 p.m. to 12 midnight each day during Nov. 1 – Feb. 15; and, 48 hours prior to waterfowl season openings.
- (f) It shall be unlawful to use airboats.
  - It shall be unlawful to install permanent waterfowl hunting blinds (those using building materials and/or remaining in position overnight) anywhere on the Swan Creek or Mallard-Fox Creek Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) except on the Swan Creek WMA dewatering unit where specified. All such blinds to be placed in the dewatering area must be registered with Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division officials

in accordance with the following conditions:

- (a) The Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division's Blind Governing Committee shall be the final authority in resolving any dispute concerning permanent waterfowl blinds. The Blind Governing Committee shall be made up of the following people: District I Conservation Enforcement Supervisor; two Conservation Enforcement Officers; District I Supervising Wildlife Biologist, and the Area Biologist for Swan Creek AREA. See also subsection (k) concerning the authority of the Blind Governing Committee.
- (b) Blinds must meet "Qualifications and Registration Procedures" established by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division and deemed acceptable by an inspecting official in order to be registered. For information or a copy of the procedures, call (256) 353-2634.
- (c) All blinds passing inspection will be tagged by the inspecting official. The tag must remain attached to the blind for the duration of the blind's stay on the Area. Tags shall not be moved to a different blind. It is the hunter's responsibility to make sure the blind they hunt from is properly tagged. No person may hunt from an untagged blind. See also subsection (k).
- (d) All permanent waterfowl hunting blinds will be inspected and registered between the hours of 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. on Saturday October 24, 2009. Only one blind may be registered per individual. In addition, that person, if required to have a hunting license or Federal waterfowl stamp to hunt waterfowl, must present a valid hunting license, a WMA license, a state waterfowl stamp and/or a federal waterfowl stamp along with their blind certification receipt at the registration table in order to complete their registration. Only fifty (50) permanent blinds will be installed at preselected sites in the dewatering area. All registered blinds drawing one of the 50 preselected sites must be installed as near as possible to the preselected site prior to gate closing on November 2, 2009. See also subsection (k).
- (e) Each selected blind must be completely camouflaged with natural material (cane, oak limbs, Fast Grass\*, or other similar materials) except for the boat entrance and the shooting holes before being placed in the dewatering unit. Camouflaged netting, burlap or other similar materials will not be accepted as camouflage, except when used to cover the boat entrance and/or shooting holes. See also subsection
- (f) In order for a blind to be eligible to be hunted from it must be anchored within 10 feet of the appropriate blind location marker. Blinds must remain within 10 feet of the blind location marker during the entire waterfowl season. This is not intended to prevent a blind owner from removing his blind from the WMA. Blind markers shall not be moved or otherwise altered or tampered with. If it is determined by the blind governing committee that a blind marker has been moved or otherwise altered or tampered with, that blind shall be subject to disqualification from hunting by the Blind Governing Committee. See also subsection (k).
- (g) No blind may be attached to the location marker in any way. If a blind is found to be attached to a marker, all hunters in the blind will be deemed to be in violation of this regulation. See also subsection (k).
- (h) Blinds that are drawn and installed in the dewatering unit must be completely removed from the WMA no later than February 16, 2010. Any blind not drawn and installed on one of the 50 sites must be removed from the WMA by sunset of the day following the opening day of waterfowl season. (This includes all blinds within the boundaries of the Swan Creek WMA.) Any such blinds, trailers, or parts thereof remaining on the WMA after the above dates shall be deemed to be the property of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and shall be utilized or destroyed as deemed advisable by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- (i) Anyone launching a boat, preparing to hunt waterfowl within the dewatering unit may not depart any launch site before 4:00 AM daily. With the exception above, all other hunters preparing to hunt waterfowl within the dewatering unit shall not be allowed in the water before 4:00 AM daily. All boats and boat blinds used in the harvest of waterfowl within the dewatering area shall be floated to an approved launching site for overnight mooring or removed from the dewatering unit no later than 7:00 PM daily.
- (j) Dewatering area access gates will be closed on November 2, 2009 and will be opened by 10:00 AM of the day before the opening day of waterfowl season. No boats with motors are allowed in the dewatering unit during the period gates are closed except as specified on decoy days.
- (k) The committee shall have the authority to disqualify any blind if a dispute occurs and it can not be resolved; or for any violation involving Blind Regulations or Permanent Blind Qualifications and Registration Procedures; or for any violation of any portion of this section of the regulation pertaining to the Swan Creek Dewatering Area. Any blind that is disqualified by the committee shall be deemed immediately ineligible to be hunted from and shall be removed from the dewatering unit for the remainder of the waterfowl season following notification of the blind owner. The blind owner will have 48 hours in which to move the blind to an approved launch site for mooring and no more than seven-days following notification of disqualification, for its complete removal from the WMA. Should the blind owner of a disqualified blind fail to move the blind to an approved launch for mooring and/or to completely remove any such blinds, trailers, or parts thereof from the Area within the specified times listed above, the blind shall be deemed to be the property of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and shall be utilized or destroyed as deemed advisable by the Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries Division.
- (10) It shall be unlawful on the St. Clair Community Hunting AREA:
- (a) To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps, archery equipment or utilize the area for any other recreational purposes without a valid permit in possession.
- (b) To hunt or perform any other recreational activities other than during daylight hours, except raccoon, opossum, and fox hunting, which may be hunted at night during the AREA seasons for those mentioned species. All other recreational activities are prohibited after 7:00 p.m. each day until daylight hours the following day.
- (c) To possess alcoholic beverages while on the AREA at any time.
- (d) To operate any motorized vehicle on the AREA except on roads designated on the current year's permit for motorized vehicular usage.
- (e) To camp overnight or have warming fires on the AREA.
- (11) A \$15.00 Management Area License in addition to a regular hunting license and a management area permit are required for hunting on AREAS; provided however, that properly licensed persons under the "Wildlife Heritage License" may hunt legal small game except waterfowl on AREAS without the other licenses described herein.

Statutory Authority: §§9-11-301 and 9-11-305 Code of Alabama 1975

PENALTY: AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

9/30/82; 10/18/83; 10/13/84; 10/19/85; 10/17/86; 10/22/87; 9/23/88; 12/21/88; 11/16/89; 11/16/90; 11/13/91; 1/18/92; 10/24/92; 10/20/93; 10/19/94; 10/19/95; 9/25/96; 9/16/97; 9/16/98; 10/19/99; 3/22/2000(ER); 9/15/2000; 10/3/2001; 10/22/2002; 10/18/2002(ER); 2/11/2003; 9/26/2003; 11/23/2004; 9/14/2005; 10/26/2006; 10/18/2007; 10/17/2008;

# Alabama's National Archery in the Schools Program

Alabama was the second of 49 states to implement the highly successful National Archery in the Schools Program. This partnership between the State Department of Education and the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries has grown to include approximately 157 schools located from Huntsville to Mobile. This program is not the archery class of old, but a new, exciting hands-on program that has been enthusiastically received by students, teachers, and parents. Archery is a life skill and a healthy recreational activity to be enjoyed for years to come.

The two-week physical education curriculum is best suited for 5th to 8th grade students but is not limited by age, gender, or physical disabilities. Please visit the following website to obtain information on developing an archery program within your local school system:

www.outdooralabama.com/education/archery.









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# 2009 - 2010

Permits, Stamps, and License Fees

### **Resident Annual**

State \$24.00 Wildlife Heritage License\* \$10.00

### Wildlife Management Area

(WMA) License: \$16.00

### **Duck Stamp**

State: \$6.00 Federal: \$15.00

### Nonresident

Annual All Game: \$275.00 Annual Small Game: \$90.00 10 Days (240 Hours) Trip All Game: \$170.00 10 Days (240 Hours) Trip Small Game: \$55.00 \$120.00 3 Days (72 Hours) Trip All Game: 3 Days (72 Hours) Trip Small Game: \$40.00

\* Allows residents to fish freshwater statewide with hook and line from the bank, fish in ADWFF operated Public Fishing Lakes (daily lake permit required), hunt small game, except waterfowl, on ADWFF WMAs (WMA permit required), shoot on Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries managed shooting ranges, and support wildlife. These privileges are also included in all resident hunting and freshwater fishing licenses, including lifetime licenses

FOR A MAP OF DISTRICTS, SEE PAGE 6.